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James Earl Ladd Passes



MR. LADD, who for many years was in the general evangelistic field and pastor at Central for the last seven years, passed on to the victory land on February 27. Earl was a great preacher and man with great faith and convictions. He has touched many lives during his years of service and his good work will live on in the lives of many. Our sympathy is expressed to the family and to Central Christian Church who loved him so dearly.

Committees For The State Convention

Donald Payne, minister First Christian Church, Corvallis, is chairman of the Resolutions Committee. Anyone who desires to place resolutions before the Convention must have it in the hands of the Committee by the close of Tuesday night's session of the Convention. Resolutions must be in writing and signed.

Chairman of the Nominating Committee is H. L. Porter, minister Valley Christian Church, Hood River, Route 3 Box 877. Anyone who has suggestions to make must do it by May 1st. Last year the Convention voted to have the list printed of all who had passed on to eternal life during the year. Brother C. F. Swander is chairman of this Necrology Committee and all names must be sent to the State Office or Brother C. F. Swander, 5921 S. E. Hawthorne Blvd. Portland, by June 1st.

Our Promotion Committee chairman for attendance for the State Convention is Clay J. Pomeroy, 1535 S. W. 10th Ave. Portland. Clay also will appreciate your suggestions for boosting for great attendance at the Convention.

REMEMBER CONVENTION DATES JUNE 25 TO JULY 1.

Missionary speakers this year will be Miss Margaret Lawrence who served several years in China and Ellis Back, who served in Tibet.

NEWS FROM PETER SOLOMON

Peter Solomon, who was such a great favorite in young people's conference at Turner, Oregon two years ago this summer, is working with a group of evangelists in India. They reach at least fifteen villages a month. They preach, and make use of visual aids such as picture rolls, smaller pictures, the feltograph, sets of flashcards, Red Cross charts, and booklets are provided as aids in teaching health. Women who wish to learn to sew or knit are taught by the Bible women.

Recently Peter immersed three converts to Christ from Hinduism. The difficulties of being the only Christian in a village are many and the road lonely. —E. L. B.

India's Views

Attitudes toward the Christians and Christian work in India has undergone quite a change since India was given her freedom. Mr. H. R. Reynolds, missionary under the United Christian Missionary Society writes: "Never has the opportunity to talk about the Christian religion been so great as now. Wherever we go conversations are of a curious nature and often religion becomes the theme when people learn we are missionaries. Even the Mohammedans seemed anxious to tell us that their Koran honored Jesus and that they did also.

The new Indian does not find a conversation with a white man about Christ and Christianity obnoxious as was true in some cases in the days before her freedom. I think Christ has been cleared of much of the false surroundings with which they viewed Him during those early days. We need to be thankful with greater faith and courage present Him to a people who need and deserve Him." —Edna L. Burke.

Oregon's Direct-Support Missionary Conference

Oregon's Second Direct-Support Missionary Conference was held February 23 at Fairmount Church, Eugene, and was a tremendous success. There were 573 registrations, representing 70 Oregon churches, 8 Washington churches, 2 Idaho churches and one California church. Twelve missionaries and a large number of missionary recruits were in attendance. The offering for the day totaled \$642.60. It was voted to continue the Conference each year. —W. W. White.

Springfield

Dr. and Mrs. E. R. Moon just completed their six months as ad interim pastors at Springfield Christian church, and will begin their first year as regular pastors the first Sunday in March. Dr. Moon preaches with a great heart of compassion.

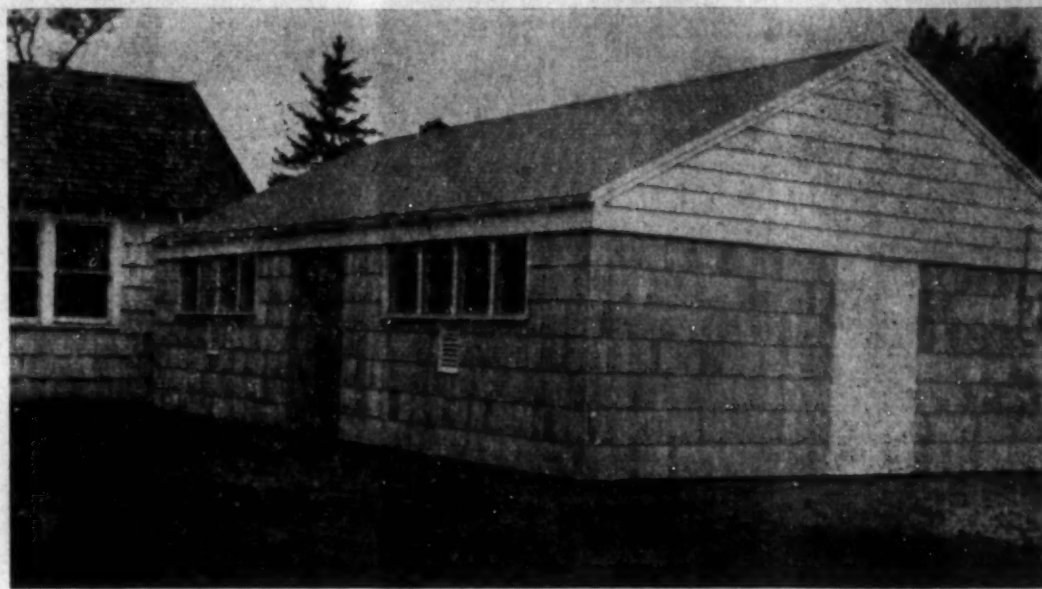
During this six months period, Dr. and Mrs. Moon, together with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Larsen as assistants, sixty new members have been brought into the fellowship of the church. Recently after a four day visitation evangelism effort (under the direction of Mr. Ed Eldridge, field representative of N.C.C.) in which eight teams made two or three calls each evening, six confessions were made and five transfers of membership.

Visitation Continues

Men of the Dallas Christian Church spent four nights in visitation evangelism beginning February 12. Seventeen men participated in the campaign and made calls on over 70 people. Direct responses thru February 25 were 3 additions to the church by transfer and 1 by primary obedience.

The newly organized Ninety and Nine Men's group of the Sisters Church voted to hold a visitation campaign beginning on March 12 to be followed by a pre-Easter week of preaching by Wayne Osborne of Culver. George Knox is the student minister of the Sisters church.

Amity Ninety and Nine plan four



Educational unit of the Florence Christian Church, with the main building to the left in the picture.

Student Pastorate Dedicates New Unit

Several improvements and additions have been accomplished from January 1950 to February 1951. There were 43 additions, 25 baptisms, and 18 otherwise. December 3, our new five room educational building was dedicated. Due to increased Sunday School attendance this additional class-room space was made necessary. Prof. William Richardson delivered the dedicatory address, "What is Right With The Church".

New hymnals were presented to the church by the Christian Endeavor young people and the young adult class.

The Sunday School attendance averages around 127; morning worship service around 80, and the evening service around 45.

—Don R. Johnson, Minister

Edna Gish

Mrs. Edna Gish, well known missionary to China, who returned to the United States in the summer of 1950, will go to Thailand this spring to serve in the mission conducted at Nikon-pathom by the British churches of Christ. Mrs. Gish will go out under The United Christian Missionary Society. The British brethren find it impossible to recruit sufficient funds and personnel to maintain the mission which consists of a hospital, school, and evangelistic program with substantial physical facilities; 5 churches, with 600 members, 900 pupils in the school, 2 doctors (Chinese) and 8 nurses, 40 paid native preachers, teachers and Bible women and the staff of 3 missionaries.

At the request of the British churches The United Christian Missionary Society agreed in January to assist the Thailand mission by sending at least three missionaries who have been serving under the Society in China. It is expected that a young couple recently returned from China will be sent to Thailand by the United Society before 1952. —Edna L. Burke.

nights of visitation evangelism starting the Monday after Easter. H. R. Rickard of McMinnville will conduct nightly services the week following. Bob Powell is the Amity minister.

Tentative plans have been made with the Multnomah Church for a visitation campaign in May. Some time is still open in May and June for dates with Ed Dewees who has been conducting these campaigns under the sponsorship of the state Ninety and Nine Men's Brotherhood. Dates should be cleared with him as early as possible to allow a maximum period for proper preparation. P. O. Box 231, Coburg, Oregon, is the mailing address.

WEDDING RINGS IN JAMAICA

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Fream arrived in Jamaica on January 16th, to carry on the work formerly conducted by Mr. and Mrs. Luke D. Elliott and their helpers.

An interesting article in The Jamaica Christian, their first publication, shows how the Lord works to see that missionary needs are met, some times. A balance of \$450.00 was needed to complete payment on repairing, re-painting and re-equipping of their car before leaving for Jamaica. The East Columbus (Ohio) Church of Christ "provided the exact amount needed for this project, nor did they know how much was needed." A rebuilt addressing machine was purchased for \$87.50. A few days later a check was received from the church at Sabina, Ohio, in the amount of \$85.00, designated for the purchase of an addressograph. Fream writes, "They did not know that we had bought one or what it would cost." Again: "The natives wrote that they needed some wedding rings at once. We purchased six rings for \$15.02, and sent them to the field. The next day we received a check for \$15.00 designated 'for wedding rings' from the Christian Endeavor group at McKeesport, Pa." Then, the little daughter of Woodrow Phillips had to have considerable dental work done. She informed the dentist that she was going to Jamaica with her missionary parents; and, lo, he made no charge for the work.

Speaking of Woodrow Phillips: He and Mrs. Phillips and their three children expect to join the Freams in Jamaica, in the near future. They have their passports, and have applied for visas. Their entire living link support had been pledged, and only funds for transportation were lacking when the January Jamaica Christian was printed. —J. F. C.

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Notice: Items for the Oregon Christian should reach the editor's desk not later than the 1st day of the month to insure publication.

State Secretary - Director's Diary

Nearly half of February was spent in educational work in the state. I assisted in a very fine Youth Fellowship Meet in Springfield where youth were given a fresh vision of missions and christian sharing. Our state Evangel-cooperating. This is a very fine and effective program and continued for 8 days. Joe Babb and Mable Metze from the National office, were the leaders. Of all the help we have been receiving from the national office this istic and Education Commissions jointly sponsored a Church School Enlargement program at the Harrisburg Church with Irving and Junction City likely will prove to be one of their greatest contributions. Your secretary assisted by Mrs. Moshier directed a 5 day Audio-Visual Work-Shop at Ontario with representatives from other near-by churches. We also spent a day in Burns in this work. Some of the other work for the month was preaching 2 sermons at Junction City, 1 at Ontario and 1 at Burns. Visited the church at Albany and assisted in an Ordination Service at the Kern Park Church. Attended a two day session of the Northwest State Secretaries in Eugene. Attended the Portland area Christian Ministers meeting, the luncheon for Korean Relief and the Parkrose meeting. 5 days were spent in the office with 9 conferences and 4 committee and board meetings. 1,739 miles were traveled in state work. 416 pieces of mail excluding the Oregon Christian were sent from the office during the month of February.

OREGON CALENDAR

March 4 — Foreign Missions Day
March 21 — Winter Term Ends at N.C.C.
March 18-25 — Week of Evangelism and Worship — Easter Season.
March 25 — Easter
March 26 — Spring Term begins at N.C.C.
April 3-5 — Oregon Preachers Parliament, Eugene
April 8-15 — Lane County and N.C.C. visitation Evangelism
Spring Conventions:
April 15, Mid-Columbia, Dufur
April 23, Lane County
April 24, Douglas-Coos Counties
April 25, Southern Oregon, Ashland
April 26, Willamette, Court Street
April 27, Northwest, Astoria
April 29, Central Oregon, Madras
May 1 and 2, Eastern Oregon, Milton
April 29 — Rural Life Sunday
May 5 — Fellowship Day for Women (Inter-communion)
May 13 — Pentecost
June 3 — Children's Day; N.C.C. Baccalaureate
June 4 — N.C.C. Sacred Music Concert, Eugene

Eugene CWF Active

Six women, members of the executive board of the Christian Women's Fellowship of the Salem First church were guests of the Fellowship of the First Church of Eugene, on the night of February 13. They presented the program for the general meeting speaking on worship, study, service, membership, local church service and Young Matrons groups. Mrs. Carroll Roberts, first vice-president of the Eugene C.W.F. presided in the absence of the president Mrs. Tom Powers. Following the business session, Mrs. Roberts introduced Mrs. Lorraine Kent, president of the Salem group, who took charge of the meeting. Other members of the team were Mrs. Lean Wright, Mrs. Flint, Mrs. Kay Craycroft, Mrs. Esther Sharpnack and Mrs. Ellen Godfrey. Preceding the meeting at the church, the executive board of the Host church entertained the guests at a buffet supper at the home of Mrs. Oren King, recording secretary. Mrs. King was assisted by Mr. Vesta Stivers and Miss Frances Van Voochris. It was a fine evening of fellowship and inspiration.

It would be a good plan for some of the other missionary organizations to follow the example set by these two churches. Invite some other society to come to your church and put on the program, thus sharing with you some of the ways they are trying to worship, to serve and to study. It is an inspiration to work together more closely. —Edna L. Burke.

Hermiston Host Church

Ninety and Nine Men of the Blue Mountain District held their February rally at the Hermiston Church on the 27th. Regularly the meeting would have been scheduled on the 26th, but the change was made to enable Joe Jewett of Baker and Ed Dewees of Coburg to be present following other meetings in Portland on Monday.

Despite basket-ball playoffs and other conflicts encountered by the change of nights there were 47 men present and 5 churches of the district were represented. The Hermiston ladies provided a fine meal and young people of the church contributed a vocal solo and a piano solo for special entertainment. Colored slides of the Cove camps and of other boys' and girls' camps over the state were shown and promotion of attendance at the '51 camps urged by Ed Dewees who also gave a report on visitation evangelism being carried out by men's groups and progress of the new work at Winston.

Brother Jewett was the guest speaker for the rally. Inter-Valley District Ninety and Nine Meetings were scheduled for Wallowa on February 28 and Vale on March 1st and a local meeting of the Milton men on March 5. —Ed Dewees.

June 5 — N.C.C. Commencement
June 17 — Achievement Day - Oregon Christian Missionary Convention (Local Church Emphasis)
June 25-July 1 — Oregon Christian Missionary Convention, Turner
July 1-7 — West Oregon Youth Conference, Turner
July 8-14 — West Oregon Intermediate, Turner
July 16-21 — Eastern Oregon Adult Conference, Cove
August 5-11 — Southern Oregon Combined Intermediate and Youth Conference
July 29 - August 4 — Eastern Oregon Youth Conference, Cove
July 22-29 — Eastern Oregon Intermediate Camp, Cove



Bryne E. Driskill, Evangelist

Preachers Parliament

Bayne E. Driskill, Evangelist from Ft. Worth, Texas, is to be the Northwest Christian College New Testament Lectureship speaker this year and the main guest speaker at the Oregon Preachers Parliament.

The Parliament will meet in Eugene on April 3, 4, and 5. Aldis Webb of Tillamook is President of the Oregon Preachers organization. George Whipple of Kern Park, Portland is Vice-President. Prof. Ward A. Rice of Northwest Christian College is Secretary-Treasurer.

During the Parliament, Mr. Driskill will speak on various phases of evangelism as found in the New Testament. Following the Parliament he will lead all churches within reaching distance of Eugene that wish to cooperate in a great united evangelistic campaign. The dates for the meeting are April 8 to 15 inclusive.

During a period of fourteen months, Brother Driskill led 83 Texas congregations in evangelistic programs and as a result, 6,755 were brought into church membership, a large proportion of these coming by primary obedience. The number of accessions to our Texas churches nearly doubled under the stimulus of the Driskill meetings. So, here is an opportunity for Oregon churches to make use of the best evangelistic leadership in America.

Oh, yes, you do not need to be a preacher to get in on these meetings which Northwest Christian College is making possible.

On February 20, Bayne Driskill will be at First Christian Church of Eugene for a set-up meeting in preparation for the subsequent effort. All who possibly can are urged to be at the February 20 meeting. Call N.C.C. for any further details.

Spring Convention

Mrs. Evylin Gribble, National World Call secretary, will be the special guest in the spring conventions April 15-May 2. She will be the resource leader in the conference period for the women and be helping in other ways. Mrs. Gribble was executive secretary for women's missionary work in Tennessee for several years before going into World Call work. She is a charming person with a wealth of information about our work. See dates and places for your district in the Oregon Calendar. Be sure to attend. —E. L. B.

Camp Dates Set

Dates for the Christian Boys' Camps and Christian Girls' Camps sponsored by the Ninety and Nine Men's Brotherhood have been set for the 1951 season and are as follows: Green Point Boys' Camp (Hood River), July 1-7; Cove Girls' Camp, July 8-14; Turner Girls' Camp, July 15-21; Turner Boys' Camp, July 22-28; Crescent Lake Boys' Camp, July 29-August 4; Wi-Ne-Ma Boys' Camp (Oretown), July 29-August 4; Cove Boys' Camp, August 5-11; Gray-back Boys' Camp (Cave Junction), August 12-18.

Bulletins will be prepared giving the above dates and other information concerning the camps. Write to Ed Dewees, P. O. Box 231, Coburg, Oregon for same.

Douglas Rally Held

A rally of the Ninety and Nine Men of the Douglas District was held at Myrtle Creek on February 10 with 49 present from 6 churches. Lloyd Whitford led singing and special music consisted of a vocal duet by Dr. Dunn and Mr. Murdock who were accompanied by Arthur Thompson. Kenneth Knox brought a message challenging men with opportunities for service and cited the Winston work.

Announcements have been made that the Winston church building will be dedicated on the afternoon of April 8 and a goal of 99 men has been set for a Ninety and Nine Men's special service that Sunday evening. Every man who can is invited to participate. Any group not having forwarded Millennium Minute Men offerings to date for Winston should mail them at once to Elmer M. Patterson, 594 14th Avenue E., Eugene. These offerings should be sent in before dedication day to help defray cost of materials. To date all labor on the building has been donated. —Ed Dewees.

McElroy To Philippines

A recent visitor to our study was B. L. McElroy, who with his wife, Betty, and their three children, Barbara Lee 10, Jeannie 8 and Jimmy 2½, plans to sail for the Philippines early in March.

Brother McElroy spoke at the recent Missionary Conference in Eugene, and is making other speaking appearances in the Northwest.

They will be affiliated with Mrs. Wolfe and her associates in the Philippines. According to Mr. McElroy, Willis Hale writes that he has every confidence that the government will be able to effectively control Communism and banditry in the Islands. Business is expanding there. Danger? Perhaps. But should that deter a soldier of the Cross?

The McElroys have living-link support from White Oak Church, Cincinnati, Ohio; Latonia Church of Christ, Covington, Kentucky; Cincinnati Avenue Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma; and First Christian Church, West Frankfort, Illinois. The latter church is supporting them to the amount of \$2400, a year. Presumably the other three congregations are supporting the three children. —J. F. C.

FROM MRS. DALLAS

Mrs. Rex Dallas expresses her deep appreciation to the many friends in Oregon who sent so many kind remembrances at the time of her sorrow at the passing of Rex.

Nyssa Women

The Christian Women's Fellowship of the Nyssa church has been busy with their regular meetings using the topic used by all Protestant women during the present six months, The Near East. They took part in the World Day of Prayer which was held in the Latter Day Saints chapel. Special music was provided by the Christian church women. Mrs. Emerson Bingham is president of the Nyssa Fellowship. —Edna L. Burke.

Gift Packages

Church groups wishing to send service gifts to the Philippines are asked not to ship packages of any kind direct to the missionaries to nationals in that country. High import duties and frequent changes in government policy makes it unwise to send books, food, clothing or medicines to churches or individuals in the Philippines now, though relief is greatly needed. Shipments are received duty free when sent through Mrs. Ruth Estes Milner, World Service. Such gifts can be sent through Mrs. Ruth Estes Milner, national director of church and community service, 222 So. Downey Ave., Indianapolis 7, Indiana.

—Edna L. Burke.

Missionaries In South Africa

Mr. and Mrs. Max Ward Randall are on the field in South Africa, along with Wm. O. and Melba Palmer Rees, who had been there for some time. The "South African Torch", edited by Mr. and Mrs. David H. Henry, of Eugene, carries some very interesting and enlightening news from the field. (Jan. issue).

For many years, there has been a work among the natives of South Africa. But no white missionary has been on the field in conjunction with the work for several years, and the churches were suffering for lack of good leadership. A conference was recently held at Craddock, which voted to recognize the leadership of the Reeses and Randalls. In order to satisfy the governmental requirements, Max Randall would be known as superintendent and Bill Rees would continue as concession registrar (to secure railroad concessions for the ministers).

The missionaries have mapped out an imposing program for the immediate future: The two women will devote themselves to the women's work, in the neighborhood of Kimberly, where they live. Max and Bill plan to visit all the churches by the first of April; they had formerly planned to take a year. Then they plan to launch an aggressive program of evangelism. Max writes: "For twenty-five years these folks have been spiritually starved, and we must NOW feed them the sincere milk of the word with a bit of heavier meat added from time to time. We are convinced that the best way to do that is through evangelistic meetings all over the Union. We will be disappointed, if between the two of us, we cannot hold at least twenty meetings during the year." They also hope to have a preacher training school launched at Kimberly by April 1st. Max says: "We already have more than enough prospective students to fill the School from the first day. Indeed, the fields are dead ripe unto the harvest in South Africa."

—J. F. C.



Malcolm Norment

Missionary Speaker

Mr. Malcolm Norment, former missionary to Paraguay, will be the missionary speaker at the Spring Conventions. Mr. Norment is at the present time the director of the Yakima Indian Christian Mission at White Swan, Washington. He is a native of Virginia, and was educated at Johnson Bible College, Bethany College, and the former College of Missions, Indianapolis.

A very interesting program and time of wonderful Christian Fellowship is being planned for the Spring District Conventions. You will find this program of special interest to women, men, and youth. Be sure and attend the one nearest you and help make this a fine preparation for the great State Convention which follows in June.

Myrtle District Meets

The monthly pot-luck dinner and program of the Myrtle District Ninety and Nine Men was held at Coquille on February 19. After some banter around the table a Bible spelling bee was arranged by Ingwald Nelson, host pastor. Ladies, who were guests, joined with the men in the teams selected on either side of the long table. (The other side won!).

In the absence of the expected speaker, Ed Dewees presented the instruction chart used in the visitation evangelism work being featured in local men's groups. In the business meeting, approval was given to meeting at North Bend on March 19, to attend the pre-Easter evangelistic services there and to have a short period of fellowship following. —Ed Dewees.

Giving To State Missions

FEBRUARY 1-28, 1951

Carlton.....	35.00
Dallas.....	25.00
Dufur.....	30.00
Fall Creek.....	50.00
Forest Grove.....	100.00
Harrisburg.....	64.59
Ione.....	15.00
Kern Park.....	15.00
Milton.....	12.00
LaGrande.....	50.00
Lebanon.....	50.00
Ontario.....	25.00
Roseburg.....	100.00
Silverton.....	17.00
Stayton.....	28.00
The Dalles.....	10.25
Tillamook.....	23.80
Individual.....	5.00
TOTAL, February 28, 1951.....	\$705.71

PROPOSED CONSTITUTION Oregon Christian Missionary Convention 1951

ARTICLE I: The name of this organization shall be The Oregon Christian Missionary Convention.

ARTICLE II: Its object shall be to carry out the Great Commission of the Lord Jesus Christ throughout the State of Oregon.

ARTICLE III: All members of the Churches of Christ, commonly known as Christian Churches, or Disciples of Christ, shall be members of, and constitute its membership.

ARTICLE IV: 1. The officers of the Oregon Christian Missionary Convention shall be a President, one Vice-president for each district into which the state may be divided, a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, three lay-members at large, the chairman of the Convention Program Committee, and the chairmen of all commissions.

2. The executive secretary, the executive officer of the Oregon Christian Woman's Fellowship, the Ninety and Nine men's work, and the Oregon Christian Student Foundation, shall be ex-officio members of the State Board without vote.

3. The president, recording secretary, treasurer, three lay-members at large, the chairman of the convention program committee, and the chairman of all commissions, shall be elected annually by the State Convention for a period of one year or until their successors shall be elected; the vice-presidents shall be elected annually by their respective districts, but in case of failure to do so they shall be elected by the annual convention. The executive secretary shall be elected by the convention for an indefinite period, his tenure of office to cease upon ninety days notice given by either party to the other.

4. The aforesaid officers shall constitute a State Board which shall have power to transact all business when the convention is not in session. A majority shall constitute a quorum. The State Board shall make all appropriations, choose and employ all missionaries, and set all salaries; it shall have the power to fill all vacancies that may occur on the Board between conventions, such appointees to serve until the next convention or until their successors shall have been elected; and it shall have the power to elect one of the vice-presidents as First Vice-president.

5. The President, first vice-president, recording secretary, and treasurer shall constitute an Executive Committee for the purpose of transacting such business as may be delegated to it by the State Board.

6. The Executive Committee shall constitute the trustees of The Oregon Christian Missionary Convention.

ARTICLE V: 1. The commissions of the convention shall be: a commission on education, a commission on evangelism, a commission on finance. The commissions, in addition to the chairman shall consist of six members elected by the convention, two for a period of three years, two for a period of two years, and two for a period of one year and as their terms expire successors shall be elected for a term of three years. The commission on Education shall have the privilege of electing as many as three additional members for a period of one year.

2. The Convention program committee shall consist of five members elected annually by the convention.

3. The State Board shall elect, early in the convention year committees on Resolutions and Necrology.

4. The vice-presidents elected by their respective districts shall constitute the nominating committee for the ensuing year and shall be convened by the first vice-president. The committee shall nominate the president, recording secretary, treasurer, three lay members at large, the chairmen and members of commissions and the chairman and members of the convention program committee. In addition they may nominate representatives of such Oregon related agencies as request such action.

5. The commissions may recommend to the nominating committee their choice of chairmen for the ensuing year.

6. The members of all commissions and committees shall serve as individual Christians representing the Oregon Christian Missionary Convention and no other agency.

ARTICLE VI: This Convention shall meet annually at Turner, Oregon, upon such dates as the State Board may set; or at such other place as may be named by either the convention or the State Board.

ARTICLE VII: This Convention shall maintain a Permanent Fund which shall operate as follows:

1. The Permanent Fund shall be used for the purpose of making loans to churches for the purpose of erecting, repairing, improving, or purchasing church buildings; refinancing church obligations; acquiring needed equipment; and to assist the State Board in the purchase and development of property which may be needed for the attainment of the objects of this Convention.

2. The Permanent Fund shall be under the control of the State Board. A committee, appointed by the State Board, of which at least two members shall be from the State Board and one from the business or professional life, shall have authority to make loans, determine the eligibility of applicants, set interest rates and terms of repayment, and draft such regulations as may assist them in handling the Fund.

3. The State Board may borrow money with which to make loans to churches whenever in its judgment the need justifies the action.

ARTICLE VIII: This constitution may be amended at any annual meeting of this convention, providing that notice of such proposed amendment shall be given by the State Board at least three months prior to the date of such proposed change, or by action of the convention one year prior to the time of adopting said amendment; and provided further that such amendment shall receive a three-fourths majority of all votes cast.

McKenzie Rally at Trent

The Ninety and Nine Men of the McKenzie District met at Trent on February 18 for a Sunday afternoon meeting. A short business meeting was held with Victor Hershiser presiding. Reports on state work were made by E. W. Blehm, president, and Martin Farlee, Area vice-president.

Host pastor, Carroll Mickle brought the devotional thought for the afternoon and Frank Betzer of Corvallis, new pastor-advisor, gave the inspirational message. Special music was provided by the N.C.C. quartet. The next McKenzie District meeting will be Monday evening, April 16, at Noti. —Ed Dewees.

Mother-Baby Shower

The Christian Women's Fellowship of the Dallas church was hostess to the other missionary organizations of the district for their general meeting, February 22. The meeting began with the business meeting at 12 o'clock, followed by a luncheon prepared by the Dallas women at 12:30. Mrs. Albert Paget, missionary to the Belgian Congo, now on furlough and living in Corvallis, was the guest speaker for the program. An extra special feature of the day was a surprise "Mother-Baby" shower for Mrs. Paget. She received many lovely gifts. It is reported to have been a fine meeting with a good attendance both from the Dallas church and nearby churches of the district. —Edna L. Burke.

Northwestern Christian Home

RAY C. SMITH, Area Rep.

Our newest addition to the Home family is Mrs. Cora Ruth McCroskey, who entered from Medford February 28th. She is sharing the room occupied by Mrs. Cora Roth. Several of our folks have been ill, but most of them are improved at this writing.

The C.W.F. group from North Plains visited the Home in February and brought an interesting program and the Primary department from the Hillsboro Church staged a Valentine party. The women guests are looking forward to the visit by the other half of the C.W.F. of Salem First Church on March 6th.

Out doors the Camelia bushes have been bloomed out for some time and the crocuses in their varied hues add a delightful dash of cheerful color to the landscape. Tulips and other flowers will be coming on soon. Mrs. Minnie Preston has written an appropriate little poem about the Home at Easter time which will be printed in the next issue of "The Visitor".

Plans for the new building addition which will provide rooms for 9 more guests and more adequate staff quarters are going ahead. Bids have been received for construction of a fire-proof building and a special board meeting to take final action has been called

MARY E. PHILLIPS, Supt.

for Monday, March 5th.

Interest in the expansion plans of the Home is reflected in the offerings from churches and individuals as reported in the new Year Book with a comparison to the year before. The total giving to the various NBA Homes by Oregon people during the year that closed June 30, 1950, was \$11,538.19, an increase of \$837 over the previous year. The per-capita giving to benevolence remained about the same for both years, at 38 cents.

The same source shows 12 Oregon Churches in the "Front Line" and 8 "Dollar Per Member" churches. "Front Line" includes: Portland-First, Eugene-First, Pendleton, Portland-Central, Roseburg, Portland-Mallory, Milton, Medford-First, Oregon City, Gladstone, Salem-Court St., Tillamook.

Oregon "Front Line" churches so far this year as of March 1st are Eugene-First, Medford-First, Pendleton, Portland-First, Portland-Mallory, and Roseburg.

With the addition of nine more to our family, our operating costs will increase proportionately. More personal gifts and greater emphasis on benevolence in local churches will make it possible for the "Church to care for her own."

Church News

Fall Creek: The Fall Creek Church of Christ is giving the offerings of February 18 and 25 to help Korea for Week of Compassion. —George Shoemaker.

Newberg: Two were added by baptism and four otherwise. An Evangelistic Campaign was led by Elery A. Parrish and Orris Doty. One was added the 20th and three baptized the 21st. Big crowds attended the meetings. —J. Frank Cunningham.

St. Helens: Two were added by baptism. An Evangelistic Rally was held by Bob Neal, former pastor, February 25-March 4. Pre-Easter personal evangelism was emphasis. Week of Compassion was observed. Nelson E. Cole

Corvallis: Eight were added to the church by statement in February. The total giving in 1950 was \$17,744.00 and the total resident membership was 258. The last note was burned on the new Estey Pipe Organ. The Church School attendance is increasing. Donald Payne.

Pleasant Hill: Five were added to the church by statement. Clyde Blakley.

Central Point: Two baptisms since the last report. One was a navy man on leave and the other a victim of Burgers Disease who has no hands or feet, but a fine spirit. One was added by statement and there were two "Re-affirmations". The Bible School continues to grow under the able leadership of Don Gruber. On February 18 there were 206 present. The whole congregation engaged in a program of "Spiritual Invasion" which is getting results. L. H. Camp.

Yamhill: The Annual Day was held January 14. Guests were Brother and Sister C. H. Addleman. Brother Addleman brought two challenging messages. During 1950 there were 24 baptisms and 2 by statement. This church joins seven sister churches in a pre-Easter Sunday school contest based on each school's average attendance from July to December 1950. The church

also joins in the local "Spring Festival" Sunday school contest February 4-April 8. Each class and children's group has a princess. Interest is growing. The average last fall was 97. February 18 there were 142. The church also joins the other churches in a new radio program over KMCM McMinnville, "Herald's of Faith" every Sunday at 6:00 p.m. R. L. Putnam.

Willamina: The teachers and workers of the Bible school held their second annual retreat at Wi-Ne-Ma camp, February 16-17. Mrs. Dallas Meserve was guest speaker on the theme "Personal Evangelism." Mr. Kenneth Stewart led the devotions. Twenty-two persons attended. Leo Woodruff.

The Dalles: The old Annex is being torn down and the educational unit is to be begun immediately. The small church building is being over capacitated continuously. An offering was taken December 31 that amounted to \$3,900.

Woodburn: Attendance and interest continue to grow under the ministry of Don Priest and Don Jones of N.C.C. Missionary offerings in 1950 averaged about \$5.00 per member. The missionary budget for 1951 has been increased 20%. Bible school attendance is the largest it has been in several years. Mrs. Edna Jennins, reporter. D. D. Priest.

Hood River: During February, 5 were added by baptism and 2 otherwise. A new baptistry is being installed. Bible Study and Prayer Meeting meet each Wednesday, using work book, "Life of Christ" by Richard Mills. CYF group is active — 14 are to attend Youth Fellowship Meet in Pendleton. This group will also attend the Mt. Hood Christian Endeavor Union Convention in The Dalles. They will attend the Intermediate Camp at Turner in July. In attendance at the Progressive Dinner recently were 80 young married people. Visitation Evangelism and Pre-Easter Preaching Mission to be

Eugene Christian Student House

February was truly "Brotherhood Month" at the Eugene Christian House. Our International Tea Hours have brought us in touch with current church problems in Germany; when Gisela Calliebe, whose father is a minister in Berlin, shared her experiences with us; with Protestant minority situations in the Philippines as presented by George R. Oliver, graduate student from Manila, and Gloria Galia, also from the Philippine Islands; and with educational and social problems in Panama as given by Ada M. Farrari from there.

Our Sunday evening presentations have included the University Symposium, with Nancy Ann Yates of Eugene, William Lees of Portland, and Morris Sahr of Schenectady, N.Y. as speakers on the place of brotherhood in building world peace. The Rev. James Covington, pastor of St. Mark's Methodist Church in Eugene, and student at Northwest Christian College, brought us a stimulating message on racial tensions as he and his people find them.

Mary Alice Baker, our president, has been chosen chairman of the all-campus and city-wide Easter Sunrise Service. Three of our group participated in the Eugene World Day of Prayer services: Luther Cheo, China; Mary Lou Roberts, Redmond and Pat Powell, Ashland.

The Married Students' group will shortly have rounded out their first year's fellowship.

The Eugene Christian House will be two years old on April first. Any and all our friends are invited to celebrate the occasion with us. At our 5:30 meeting we shall be installing our new officers.

held and assisted by N.C.C. students. Vern Fishback.

Court Street, Salem: In February, two were added by baptism and two otherwise. The average Bible school attendance in February was 346. W. H. Lyman.

Hillsboro: Five have been added by baptism and 9 by statement. A new record of 399 on February 11 has been set in Bible School attendance. A Church Family Night Dinner as a Sweetheart Banquet was attended by 230. Being planned for March 18-25 is a week of Evangelism with messages by the minister assisted by the "Hoven House Quartet" from N.C.C.

Astoria: The Annual Meeting was held January 26 with 100 present. All bills had been paid during the past year and missionary giving was great. New pews, baptismal and communion equipment is to be purchased. Bible school efficiency is great under the leadership of Stanley Glick. Movie equipment for the Bible school has been purchased. The Young People's work is being revived. The pastor was sent to the International Convention this year. There were 45 added to the church—25 by baptism. Evangelist, L. O. Leet will conduct a Stewardship Crusade, March 28-April 8. The church will be host to the Northwest District Convention April 27. Chas. Lemmex.

Winston: Plans are being made for dedication of the new church building at Winston on April 8. We will be looking forward to more complete coverage on this item in the next paper.

Dallas Meserve has been called by

DOROTHY STERLING RETURNS TO BURMA

If you would like a couple of short missionary stories that would inspire and challenge both children and adults, get Dorothy Sterling's 21st News Letter (January 6, 1951). (Address of Forwarding Agent, "Mrs. C. R. Sterling, 368 Guava Avenue, Chula Vista, California").

Miss Sterling, a registered nurse, who was flown to Lisuland, by the army during World War II, to join the J. Russell Morse family of missionaries, and their helpers, has been on furlough. If her plans to return to join the missionaries in Burma worked out, she left California February 1st, arriving in Rangoon about February 8th. —J. F. C.

Philippines

Last spring Dr. H. B. McCormick and Mr. Virgil Sly made a hurried trip to the Philippines and to Japan to look the situation over in these fields. In reporting after their return, Mr. Sly made this statement: "One could not visit a mission field in 1950 and fail to feel the oppressive sense of immediacy, a feeling that the sands of time are running out. The people are asking 'Can Christianity fill the emptiness in their hearts or can something else?' Jesus Christ is the answer. But Christ can only save the world as He is carried to the waiting people in the lives of consecrated men and women. One cannot but feel that the salvation of the church at home is dependent upon losing itself in the redemption of today's world."

"Opportunity for real Christian advance presses us on every hand. We see the promise of redemption of not just a few but tens of thousands. Our world will not wait. Our responsibility cannot be shrugged off. We must act now."

Corvallis Student House

Service to the Corvallis Christian Church, and participation in interdenominational activities were highlights for the Corvallis Christian House during February. Nineteen students took full responsibility of the morning service on Sunday, February 4. Emsley Rogers of Hermiston and Celia Speece of Klamath Falls delivered the sermons. Others on the program were: Lee Gerold, Corvallis; Betty Wieman, Portland; Patricia Swango, Coburg; Hazel Jones, Hermiston. Other students served as elders, deacons, ushers, and provided the special music. It was a real experience in churchmanship for these students. Other students assisted in the Sunday school open house on February 11, and a student committee provides substitute teachers for all departments of the Sunday School.

Along interdenominational lines, Hazel Jones served as all-campus chairman for the Campus Religious Council joint group party on February 2. Christian House students also took active participation in International Week on campus, and joined as a group in the Cosmopolitan Club international party on February 23. With such training while they are preparing themselves for a vocation, we can be sure they will become outstanding Christian leaders in their future home community.

the Parkrose Church to succeed Vern Killowatz.

Wilbur R. Hensley will enter the full-time chaplaincy again on April 1.